

## Order of Service - DATE

### You CAN Teach an Old Dog New Tricks

**Celebrant - [Laura Kushner](#)- In Person**

**Reflection Title - You CAN Teach an Old Dog New Tricks**

	Component	Person	Title/Description	Audio Source	Video Source
1	Display Order of Service			<a href="#">[Audio Playlist]</a>	<a href="#">[Slideshow]</a>
<b>3:25 - Check that the celebrant and welcome speaker are ready.</b> <b>3:30 - Introductory technical announcements - Mute All and invite the first speaker to unmute.</b> <b>Cue for Welcome Speaker = "Recording Started"</b>					
2	Welcome/Board Minute	Charlie	Intro to Laura	<a href="#">[Speaker]</a>	<a href="#">Camera</a> <a href="#">Guen</a> <a href="#">[Slideshow]</a>
3	Chalice Lighting	Laura	Text below	<a href="#">[Speaker]</a>	<a href="#">Camera</a>
4	Song	Markus	#1018 Come and Go With Me	<a href="#">Video-Audio</a>	<a href="#">[video]</a>
5	Time for All Ages	Laura	Are You a Cheeseburger? Melissa Slides	<a href="#">Speaker</a>	<a href="#">Camera</a>
6	Joys and Sorrows + Meditation	Melissa + Laura	Type in chat or say out loud	<a href="#">[Speaker]</a>	<a href="#">Camera</a> <a href="#">(auto switch)</a>
7	Song	Markus	#396 I Know This Rose Will Open	<a href="#">Video-Audio</a>	<a href="#">[video]</a>
8	Reading	Mel	Laura to provide text	<a href="#">[Speaker]</a>	<a href="#">Camera</a>
9	Anthem	Markus	<a href="#">All I Know So Far</a>	<a href="#">Video-Audio</a>	
10	Reflection	Laura	You can Teach an Old Dog New Tricks	<a href="#">[Speaker]</a>	<a href="#">Camera</a>
11	Interactive	Laura	Reflection question In sermon... "What have you embraced when you	<a href="#">[Speaker]</a>	<a href="#">Camera</a> <a href="#">Slideshow]</a>

			opened your mind to new possibilities?"		
11	Share the Plate for	Melissa or recruit	Angels for Action	[Speaker] AI	Camera Slideshow]
13	Closing Song	Markus	1007 There's A River Flowin' In My Soul	Video-Audio	[video]
14	Closing Words	Laura	Be True, Be Well, Be Loving	Speaker]	Camera
	coffee hour				

## Reflection Theme/Summary for Newsletter

Bio -

Laura Kushner is a long time member of the Montclair Congregation. She is currently attending Drew Theological School, where she is working towards her Masters of Divinity and is the Ministerial Intern for UU Faith Action New Jersey. Aside from her work within Unitarian Universalism she has taught pre-school for the past 30 years.

Summary for Newsletter

Laura's call to ministry; a story of accepting changes and finding out you may not be who you thought you were.

## WORSHIP MATERIALS and LINKS

### Readings

Today's reading is from Barbra Brown Taylor's book An Altar in the World. This is an excerpt from the chapter entitled *The Practice of Walking on the Earth*.

Once, when a friend of mine wanted me to show him how to ride a horse, he kept asking me questions before he would get on. He wanted me to tell him all about the saddle, the bridle, the reins, the age of the horse, the direction of the path, the height of the branches he might encounter, the location of the "eject" button on the saddle.

"Get on," I said, while the horse stamped her foot.

"What?" my friend said, the whites of his eyes showing.

"Just get on," I said, bending over to make a step out of my hands. So he did, and twenty minutes later he was sounding like a cowboy mystic.

“This is fantastic,” he said. “I am one with this horse.” Things like that can happen when you give your mind a time-out so your body can embark on the journey.

### Chalice Lighting

By Rev. [Vanessa Southern](#)

We light our chalice, symbol of our faith,  
For truth, sought through a questioning heart and an attentive mind;  
And for love, pursued through obstacles inside and outside our own human heart;  
And for forgiveness, and all it entails—  
The place where truth and love meet and merge.

### Closing Words

Be True, Be Well, Be Loving

By Rev. Dr. Cynthia Landrum

We leave this gathered community,  
But we don't leave our connections,  
Our concerns, our care for each other.  
Our service to each other, to the world, and to our faith continues.  
Until we are together again, friends,  
Be strong, be well, be true, be loving.

## Angels for Action

I nominated our long time partner, Angels for Action, for this month's share the plate.

On Friday, September 10th, a car collided with their building. Their location and programs will be temporarily closed. Angels for Action is a grassroots community organization that focuses on that last mile to connect people to services that are offered throughout the Plainfield area. Many of Plainfield's residents are recent immigrants, and do not know their rights or how to access services that the city provides. Before the accident, they also offered ESL classes and other classes to the community, and important legal services. They are still assisting clients in court cases. Our share the plate donation will go a long way to help get Angels For Action back on their feet. You can mail your check to the address on the screen, or donate through paypal by visiting our website, [firstunj.org](http://firstunj.org)

## Action Items - Emails

- Confirm Welcome Speaker
- Confirm Reader
- ~~Tech Person~~

- Time for All Ages - Melissa